# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# DEFENCE
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1072
ANSWERED ON:07.03.2002
CRASH OF MIG AIRCRAFT
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether a huge number of MIG Series Aircraft have been lost in air crashes anda number of pilots were killed in the crashes during the last two years;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor and the loss suffered thereby;

(c) the number of training aircraft crashed during the said period and the loss suffered as a result thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to curb these accidents in future?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): A few MIG aircraft have been lost in air crashes. The details, along with the causes of accidents and loss suffered thereby, are annexed.

(c) A total of eight (08) trainer aircraft (up to 28.2.2002) have crashed during the above period and an amount of Rs. 7.88 crore (approximately) has been lost.

(d) Several measures are being taken by the Government to reduce these accidents ona continuous basis in order to bring down the accident rates under all categories by formulation of Accident Prevention Programme, Environmental Cleanliness, Bird Hazard control, conduct of studies on Human Error and Technical Defects and interaction with Hindustan Aeronautics Limited / Original Equipment Manufacturers.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1072 FOR ANS ON 7.3.2002.

| Financial Year | No. of MIG Series aircraft lost | Causes of accidents | | | | No. of pilots killed | Financial loss |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | HE(A) | TD | HE(S) | BH | UR | |
| 1999-2000 | 19 | 09+ | 05 | 01 | 02 | 01 09 | 239.33 Cr |
| 2000-2001 | 18 | 08+ | 07 | - | 02 | - 10 | 99.58 Cr |
| 2001-2002 (Up to 28.02.2002) | 12 | 05 | 05 | - | 01 | 01 08 | 58.27 Cr |
| Total | 49 | 22++ | 17 | 01 | 05 | 02 27 | 397.18 Cr |

\+ - An additional aircraft was lost due to mid air collision accident.
\- Provisional loss statement regarding 09 aircraft as estimated till date.

HE(A) - Human Error (Aircrew)

TD - Technical Defect
HE(S) - Human Error (Surface)
BH - Bird Hit
UR - Unresolved.